

PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET FOR THE COLLECTION OF URINE FOR CHLAMYDIA AND/OR GONORRHOEA PCR

GENERAL INFORMATION:

This test is to detect Chlamydia and/or Gonorrhoea which accumulates in the urethra (not bladder).

METHOD OF COLLECTION:

1. Sterile jar/container (yellow top) is to be used. In most cases your Doctor will provide you with such jar/container or otherwise contact the laboratory on the telephone number below to make arrangements.
2. The first void (first part of urine) in the morning must be collected in a yellow top jar/container making sure the jar is half full. This is the best practice.
3. If the urine has been in the bladder for more than 1 hour, the sample is also acceptable. The first part of this urine must be collected in a yellow top jar/container making sure the jar is half full.
4. If it has been less than 1 hour since the patients bladder has been emptied, the patient is instructed that the sample cannot be collected and they must return or collect the sample at home when the urine has been in the bladder for more than 1 hour, to ensure the accuracy of results.
5. Place the lid on the jar/container and tighten the lid firmly to prevent leakage.
6. Label the jar/container with your name, date of birth, date and time of collection.
7. It is preferred the specimen to be dropped off at the surgery or the nearest Medlab collection centre as soon as possible after collection or refrigerate the specimen if there will be a delay.

For further inquiries or additional information regarding this testing procedure you can either speak directly with the attending pathology collector or by contacting the main laboratory Customer Service Department on 1300 633 522.

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